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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Office Action (paper no. 4) mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 29, 2002, with respect the above-identified application.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Specification:

Substitute the following paragraphs for the corresponding existing paragraphs. Markedup versions of these paragraphs showing the amendments made appear in an attachment hereto.

At page 1, line 10 to page 2, line 10, the first three paragraphs of the section entitled "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION":

As manufacturers continually reduce the size of microelectronic devices contained in very large scale integration (VLSI) integrated circuits (ICs), it is becoming more difficult